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2012 Canadian Consulting Engineering Awards

(OTTAWA) October 24, 2012 – The 2012 Canadian Consulting Engineering Awards were presented last night at the Ottawa Convention Centre. Over 200 guests were in attendance including industry leaders and other dignitaries. Catherine Clark of CPAC's Beyond Politics presided over the evening as Master of Ceremonies.

Held annually for 44 years, these awards are the highest recognition for the Canadian consulting engineering industry. The Awards program is a joint initiative of the Association of Consulting Engineering Companies – Canada (ACEC) and Canadian Consulting Engineer Magazine.

Of the nearly 80 projects entered, 12 received awards of excellence and two received special awards: one for technical innovation and one for environmental stewardship. Award winners were selected by a panel of 12 independent jurors with varied backgrounds and knowledge of the industry.

In addition, ACEC presented the Beaubien Award to an individual for exceptional service to the association and the consulting engineering industry.

ACEC represents companies in Canada that provide professional engineering services to both public and private-sector clients. These services include planning, designing and executing all types of engineering projects, as well as providing independent advice and expertise in a wide range of engineering and engineering-related fields. For more information about ACEC, please visit www.acec.ca.

Canadian Consulting Engineer is a bi-monthly magazine for engineers in private practice. It is a division of BIG Magazines LP of Toronto. The award-winning projects are described in full in Canadian Consulting Engineer's October-November 2012 issue www.canadianconsultingengineer.com.

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BACKGROUNDER: 2012 Canadian Consulting Engineering Awards

SCHREYER AWARD (for most technically innovative project):

Photocatalytic Gas Treatment (PGT), Moncure, North Carolina, U.S.
exp

Uniboard Pfleiderer required a process that would destroy contaminants in gases from wood panel manufacturing and meet strict emissions standards. With limited viable options available in the industry, **exp** developed a groundbreaking “Photocatalytic Gas Treatment” (PGT) process that exceeded all expectations. PGT is effective, economical, compact and energy-efficient, and does not produce greenhouse gases. Pure and applied sciences experts from **exp** guided the development of this innovative solution from concept to implementation, supported by **exp**’s own laboratories.

TREE FOR LIFE AWARD (for outstanding environmental stewardship):

The Jim Pattison Centre of Excellence in Sustainable Building Technologies and Renewable Energy Conservation - Okanagan College, Penticton, BC
The AME Consulting Group Ltd.

The Jim Pattison Centre of Excellence in Sustainable Building Technologies and Renewable Energy Conservation, located at the Okanagan College Penticton Campus, was designed and built as a sustainable post-secondary facility. The innovative features of the building will be used as a teaching tool for trades people studying green construction practices. The AME Consulting Group provided full mechanical consulting services and virtual environment modeling. Sustainability objectives included LEED Platinum target and the Living Building Challenge.

AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE:

Buildings:

The Jim Pattison Centre of Excellence in Sustainable Building Technologies and Renewable Energy Conservation - Okanagan College, Penticton, BC
The AME Consulting Group Ltd.

Biodiversity Centre, Université de Montréal, Montreal, QC
Bouthillette Parizeau & Associés inc.

VanDusen Botanical Gardens Visitor Centre, Vancouver, BC
Fast + Epp

BC Place Revitalization, Vancouver, BC
GENIVAR and Geiger Engineers

Vale Living With Lakes Centre, Laurentian University, Sudbury, ON
J. L. Richards & Associates Limited

La Maison symphonique de Montréal, Montreal, QC
SNC-Lavalin Inc.

Water Resources:

Eastern Wastewater Treatment Facility, Saint John, NB
CBCL Limited, Consulting Engineers

Sherbourne Common, Toronto, ON
The Municipal Infrastructure Group Ltd.

Environmental Remediation:

Burnaby Lake Rejuvenation, Burnaby, BC
Associated Engineering

Natural Resources, Mining, Industry & Power:

Vancouver City Central Transmission (VCCT), Vancouver, BC
Golder Associates Ltd.

Innovative Tailings Management - Greens Creek Mine, Admiralty Island, Alaska
Klohn Crippen Berger

Community Outreach & In-House Initiatives:

Haiti Prototype Schools, Haiti
Blackwell Bowick / Halsall Associates / Quinn Dressel Associates / Read Jones Christoffersen Ltd.

BEAUBIEN AWARD (for exceptional service to ACEC and the consulting engineering industry):

Neil A. Cumming is a recognized expert in the field of construction materials engineering and concrete technology. Neil is also known for his contributions to the consulting engineering industry as a businessman, educator and mentor. Neil joined Levelton Consultants Ltd. in 1977 and has held a number of management positions within the firm, including President and CEO. In 2007, Neil took on the role of Executive Vice President, the position he holds today.

Neil has championed the interests of the industry through his participation in ACEC and other professional associations. He has been an active participant in Consulting Engineers of British Columbia (now ACEC-BC), serving as President in 2003-2004 and as a Director for five years.

Neil has been a member of the American Concrete Institute for 30 years and has served on several technical committees. He is a long-standing member of the Canadian Standards Association Committee on Concrete Materials and Methods of Construction and served as Chair for five years.

As an industry educator, Neil is a regular speaker at technical conferences. He has authored over 50 technical presentations and papers, and has lectured on construction materials technology at the University of British Columbia. Neil's role at Levelton includes mentoring younger employees.

Neil is the recipient of other industry awards and recognition, including Fellow of the American Concrete Institute, CEBC's 2011 Meritorious Achievement Award and the Canadian Standards Association's Award of Merit. As recipient of the 2012 Beaubien Award, Neil is recognized by his peers

for his outstanding contributions to ACEC, the consulting engineering industry and the engineering profession.